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No Crying Towel— Just a Desire

"Put away your crying towel, ad rate is low, but others lower, don't expect to get rich overnight, relax, work hard, and keep my copy coming."

These remarks were contributed by one of our readers in answer to my column in the November 2nd edition. When I wrote the article, there were no tears, so a towel was not necessary. I am aware that our ad rates are low. WHAT WEEKLY PUBLICATION IS LOWER?

I have no desire to get rich overnight, or within my lifetime; I'm happy the way I now live. It is my desire to contribute, through this publication, to the one thing I enjoy most, Numismatics, and the wonderful people who have chosen this hobby as their's.

To relax is hard, when your desire to help others is as great as mine. Working hard comes easy, because the desire will not be driven away, and the devotion to my hobby is not superficial, but deep within me.

The night the idea for Coin Trade Advertiser came to me, my first thought was not of the fortune I might possibly make. I thought then, and still think, here is my chance to contribute my effort to Numismatics, and answer the call of the small collector, the advanced collector, and the dealer at the same time. Here was my chance to be more than just another member of the Numismatic fraternity, the local coin club, and a member of the Canadian Numismatic Association.

This was what I had really wanted to do for a long time and never realized what it was. Here was my chance to help people learn about Numismatics and coin collecting, collector and non-collector alike.

I suppose I could make

speeches and accomplish this, but I wouldn't reach the thousands of collectors that have the same hunger as I for knowledge about our hobby. Coin Trade Advertiser does reach them, and as each week goes by you will notice the additional wealth of information available to you.

We were forced to tell you in the November 16 issue, that a raise in rates is necessary, starting December 1. Also that a subscription fee was added to the paper.

We made these changes, not because we want to raise our income, but because we want to continue to serve you.

At the time we decided a raise in rates had become necessary, a crying towel might have helped, not as a means of telling our troubles to you, and wiping away the tears of self pity; we could have used the towel to suppress what we felt you should know. We presented the facts to you for your consideration. We told you the truth!

There is no crying in this office; we are just facing the facts. Is it wrong to tell those whom you serve the things that affect the service you render them?

I think not; life is a realistic thing, and regardless how we may try to dodge reality at times, it always catches up. No matter if you publish a newspaper or welch on a mail bid sale.

Along with the desire to serve must go a certain amount of intelligence and business management. This does not come from the mind of one man, as any businessman will tell you. It takes a combination of minds, all dedicated to the same goal and purpose, to make any undertaking successful.

Facing the facts is one important part in any business that cannot be overlooked. Sharing the things that affect this

publication with you is our way of guaranteeing that our thoughts are for your common good. Telling you what must be done to give you the publication you want, helps us add a personal touch to what we offer you.

Even if you are 4,000 miles away, the fact that you want and receive Coin Trade Advertiser makes you a friend and neighbor. You by expressing a desire to receive "CTA", become to us, a cherished friend and customer, to whom we must present the facts, not hide them. What are friends for, if not to share the success and shortcomings of each other?

Would you buy a coin from a dealer who would not guarantee it to be genuine? Of course you wouldn't. Presenting the facts to you is our way of showing we are honest, realistic and unafraid of presenting the facts, truthfully, to anyone, at any time.

I regret that a raise in rates was necessary, and a subscription fee added. You know the story; it was presented to you truthfully and factually.

The decision to continue as a subscriber to Coin Trade Advertiser is yours; we will not twist your arm, or send you reminders that you should subscribe. You decide if you want to pay \$1.25 per year, as compared to \$2.00, \$3.00, or \$4.00 per year. You decide if you want to take advantage of the lowest rates offered by any WEEKLY coin publication. You decide if you want to be a part of a real numismatic publication and grow with it. Yes, my collecting friends, you decide.

The strong desire I had to serve Numismatics the night I conceived Coin Trade Advertiser is still within me; it has spread to every member of the Staff. They, too, are dedicated to Numismatics, and will continue to

work hard to keep every weekly edition coming to you.

Numismatics is my first love, one way or another I'll continue to serve it, and you. There is no crying towel in this office, just a desire to serve.

T. G. Harper,
Publisher

MY NICKELS WORTH

by m. brooks

TWO PLUS TWO

I had a terrific argument with another collector a few nights ago, over proper grading of coins. Our entire argument had to do with the use of the term "About Uncirculated", as used when grading coins.

The whole thing started with a nice peaceful chat, between two friends, he and I, over the appearance of the term "About Uncirculated", in Messrs. B & D grading book. We raved at each other for over an hour. My wife provided the coffee and crumpets, plus the fact, that the use of the term "AU" does not appear in Mr. Yoeman's Redbook.

My argument was, and is, that the term, "About Uncirculated", is very misleading. That either a coin is uncirculated or it is not. If it is not, then it must be extremely fine.

What is the definition of an uncirculated coin? Quoting from the Redbook, "New, regular mint striking, but never placed in circulation." What is the definition of "About Uncirculated"? Quoting from B & D, "There will be a trace of wear, etc."

You and I, and my friends know, that if we were to buy an uncirculated coin, we would not expect it to have, "a trace of wear". But, if we were to buy a coin that did show a "trace of wear", we would not

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TWIN CITY COIN CLUB

Salutes

Coin Trade Advertiser and Staff

Organized in April 1960, the Twin City Coin Club has grown to forty-seven members. Meetings are held the second Thursday of each month, at 7:30 P. M., in the Pine Room, Hotel Barre. All collectors are cordially invited to attend our meetings.

Through the combined efforts of our Club President, Chester Blow, and Mr. Harper, Publisher of Coin Trade Advertiser, a Junior Coin Club has been formed for all interested youngsters of the area. Meetings of the Junior Club are held the second Thursday of each month, at 6:30, in the Pine Room, Hotel Barre.

We, the members of the Twin City Coin Club, salute Coin Trade Advertiser, and Staff, for the contribution they are making to the hobby of Numismatics.

by: Chester Blow,
 President
 Twin City Coin Club
 Barre, Vermont

Illegal Collections

by Charles S. Tate

It would be informative, and perhaps very surprising for you to learn that there are many coins and other Numismatic items that have been declared illegal by the Federal Government. The more obvious of these include: fake star commemoratives, altered mint marks, altered dates and all counterfeits.

A number of these cannot be legally collected, of which, many of us are completely unaware. The list of illegal items includes: gold bars and gold certificates of any date, and any gold coins of the year 1933. Many types of masonic pennies have been picked up, certain foreign gold coins have been confiscated by the Secret Service, and certain off-metal coins (coins accidentally stamped on the wrong metal) have been picked up by the government.

It is amazing to realize that in some cases, all these items have been declared legal, and in others they have been declared illegal. It seems only logical that our Federal Government should make clear-cut laws concerning the collection of these items, and state once and for all whether they are legally collectable. This on-again off-again confiscation has been going on for over eighty-five years.

Probably the most justified of all government confiscations, was that of the racketeer nickel. In the first year of its issue, 1883, the Liberty Nickel did not bear the word "cents" on its reverse—merely the Roman numeral "V". These coins were about the same size as \$5 gold pieces, so they were often gold plated by unscrupulous profiteers and passed for gold.

This was soon discovered by the government, in the same year, the word "cents" was placed on the reverse immediately below the "V", and the confiscation (or recall) of all Type I Liberty Nickels was attempted. This was a great help to the field of Numismatics in general, for all honest numismatists deplored the few dishonest persons who were bringing ill repute on their hobby.

It is not illegal to collect either type of the Liberty Nickels, but is of course not legal to gold plate them for any purpose. If all the laws concerning the collection of coins and currency were equally as clear, there would be little question about the legality of certain items.

About the only thing each of us can do to help is to use judgment about what we collect and sell or trade. We must make our own decisions, based on our own personal convictions, concerning all the questionable coins that have at times been declared semi-illegal.

There should be no question in our minds that: trial pieces, patterns, restrikes, experimental pieces, lucky (encased) coins, and other forms of Numismatic errors are collectable in the strictest sense of honesty. We should be constantly watchful for any counterfeited or altered coins—which are becoming disturbingly prevalent in our field, and report any information concerning these coins to the proper government authorities.

The coins most commonly altered are: 1909SVDB Lincoln cents, 1914D Lincoln Cents, 3-legged Buffalo Nickels, 1916D Mercury Dime, these are all clearly dishonest and should be stopped.

Many other coins, however, that I feel are completely legal, such as 1933 gold coins, masonic cents, off-metal coins, and gold bars, are sometimes questioned by the government, and if you choose to collect them, there is always the constant fear that they will be picked up.

Let's all be in favor of more clear and decisive laws concerning our hobby in general. The hobby of Numismatics will be helped considerably in that much of the indecision concerning coins will be erased.

TERMS USED IN DESCRIBING COINS . . .

The designs stamped on coins can be of two types, relief or incuse. A relief design has the design raised above the surface of the coin. In an incuse type, the design is below the surface of the coin. A coin has two sides, the obverse and reverse. The side with the main design on it, commonly called the "head" side, is the obverse. The opposite side, or "tail", usually carries the coin's value and is called the reverse. When a coin has parallel lines running across the edge from obverse to reverse, this is called reeding and is done to discourage trimming the edges of the coin to obtain metal.

EARLY MONEY . . .

Nails, tobacco, furs and musketballs were used as money in colonial America.

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1909 VDB Lincoln Cent	ExFine
1881 Indian Head Cent	.. VFine
1891 Indian Head Cent	... Good
1901 Indian Head Cent	.. VGood
1905 Indian Head Cent	EXFine
1864 Lg. Motto 2 piece	.. Good
1865 2 piece Fine
1867 Shield 5, No Rays	.. Fine
1853 Lib. Std. ½ dime	... Good
1854 Lib. Std. ½ dime	... Good
1856 Lib. Std. ½ dime	... Good
1857 Lib. Std. ½ dime	... Good
1858 Lib. Std. ½ dime	.. VGood
1861 Lib. Std. ½ dime	... Good
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1878S Barber Silver \$	Abt. Unc.
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1881 Barber Silver \$... VFine
1884 Barber Silver \$.. VGood
1885 Barber Silver \$ Fine
1886O Barber Silver \$.. Fine
1887 Barber Silver \$.. ExFine
1887O Barber Silver \$.. VGood
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LINCOLN CENTS 115

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HAVE CIRCULATED ROLLS HALVES, 1948P; 1949P; 1953P; Cents 1954P; Need 1931S Cents or 1951D Nickels. How will you trade? Everett A. Fisher, 608 E. Centre, MaHanoy City, Pa. 74

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Collectors Corner

RARE AND SCARCE Rarity of Coins Discussed by Andrew L. Berger

When should the terms rare and scarce be applied to numismatic material? Referring to Webster's Dictionary, I find that rare applies to that which is not frequently found or which is uncommon. Scarce is used for something that is small in supply in proportion to the demand.

The new collector, picking up a copy of any recent numismatic publication, might very well find a 1914D Uncirculated Lincoln and a 1950D Jefferson both referred to as rare. Wouldn't it be wiser to describe the 14D as rare, and the 50D as scarce?

It is my opinion, that the word rare is being used much too freely, and its real meaning being obscured. I feel that it should be used more sparingly by dealers and collectors. I would be interested in your opinion. Please send it to me at, 1615 Avenue I, Brooklyn 30, New York.

KNOW YOUR DEALER, YOUR COINS, AND READ

by Leona Dockery

In the course of reading my mail, I came across a statement that I feel should be shared with "CTA" readers.

In Abe Kosoff's Coin Bulletin, he states, quote, "Chance to review recent lists, catalogues, etc., and impressed not necessarily favorably by inexperienced "professionals". This is most certainly a time for caution by buyers."

Somehow I feel that the above statement is food for thought. I see many catalogs, etc., where coins are identified as rarities—but, the cataloger in some cases, does not know where to authenticate his "so-called rarity."

So for caution — know your dealer, and if you don't know your dealer, know your coins.

The best way to know your coins is to read all available Numismatic literature. Acquire a library if you are a specialist in any certain series—have an authoritative reference at hand. The investment in a reference work may save you a great deal of money, time and grief.

If you feel that a library is beyond your means, then take advantage of the libraries maintained by many Coin Clubs. Whatever you do, check on that coin rarity before you buy.

Collectors' Comments

Dear Sirs:

I just want to say that I think "Coin Trade Advertiser" should go great guns. I would rather read "CTA" than some other larger coin publications.

D. P. Busick
Bloomington, I.I

I like your paper, wish you luck in the future. Could you send me issue 1? I would really appreciate it.

Clare Harris
Daytona Beach

Dear Sirs:

I really like your paper. Keep up the good work. Let's see how the first ad of mine pulls.

Daniel Davis
Staten Island, N.Y.

Gentlemen:

I received a copy of your magazine, "Coin Trade Advertiser", at a meeting of The Coin Club of Boston, which I attended as a guest. Would appreciate being put on your mailing list.

Albert Stewart
Roxbury, Mass.

Coinowledge

1. Who engraved the dies for the disme and half disme?
2. In addition to the 1804 silver dollar, another coin of the same date was faked. What was it?
3. How many varieties of the 1859 Canadian Large Cent are there?
4. What Canadian Large Cent is the lowest in number of pieces minted?

ANSWERS

1. Page 58, Redbook.
2. Page 67, Redbook.
3. Page 61, Charlton 10th.
4. Page 64, Charlton 10th.

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Y. N. A. Corner

It is the desire of this publication through this column, to keep YNA members and their parents informed of the latest developments in the YNA field. Certain rules laid down by this publication in regards to advertising rates, explaining how advertising copy for YNA members will be handled.

To advertise in the Coin Trade Advertiser as YNA members, and to obtain the special rates we offer to them, the following items will be completed and forwarded with the advertising copy.

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Page for YNA Members

Starting with the issue of December 1, 1961, this complete page will be given for the use of Y.N.A. members. Here they may tell their own story and share their numismatic experiences with other collectors throughout the land. We urge all members of Y.N.A. to use this page, let's keep it full every week. Deadline for all your material will be the same as the weekly advertising deadline.

GOOD ADVICE!

From The Ottawa Coin Club Bulletin: "In order to get full value of your hobby, **"READ WHILE YOU COLLECT"**."

MONEY FACTS**The Edwins Defalcation**

On the morning of September 29th, 1870, C. Edwins, a fourth class clerk in the division of redemptions in the Treasury, voluntarily confessed to the Treasurer, F. E. Spinner, that he had abstracted, and applied to his own use, three money packages received by him, and amounting to \$8,500.

Edwins came into this branch of the Treasury in June 1864, and was appointed on the highest recommendations, given by the men of the cities of New York and Brooklyn. He had been promoted three times for his hard work, efficiency and capacity for business. For years he was paid better wages than the law allowed.

At the time of his confession, he turned over to the Treasurer various items of value, consisting of bills of exchange on London, Bank of England, United States stocks, British gold sovereigns, passage tickets, and tickets to the theatre.

He had also purchased first class berths for himself and wife, under an assumed name, and had planned to sail for England the day before his confession.

He stated, at his confession, that he had for several months been in the habit of abstracting money from packages and using it, and that after a week or so, he would take other money from other packages and replace that taken before; thus from time to time replacing the money stolen from one package by money stolen from another, and preventing inquiry after the stolen money, and consequent detection. He stated that in a then recent case he had taken money from a package received from the Davenport National Bank, the money, amounting to and marked at \$5,000, and from another package money amounting to \$1,000; that afterwards he took the money from two packages of \$3,000 each, with a view to replace the money he had taken the week before, but that in his hurry and agitation he had inadvertently placed the whole \$6,000 in the wrapper from the Davenport National Bank, and handed it to a clerk to be counted. The clerk reported the package \$1,000 over by inventory.

Fearing detection if he corrected the error, he advised the bank of the over, and remitted by check on New York for the

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whole \$6,000. The Bank returned the money when informed of Edwin's confession.

In his confession, Edwins stated that the money he had taken, and that he did not account for, he had lost in unfortunate speculations. The total sum recovered from the robbery by the Treasury was \$2,750.72, net loss from the \$8,500 robbery was \$5,749.28.

Edwins was indicted and tried for the robbery.

Following this robbery by a

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trusted Treasury employee Treasurer Spinner made a plea to Congress to raise the pay of employees working in his department, stating that if a higher wage scale was used, the urge to relieve the department of funds would not be as great among employees. As of November 30, 1873, no raise had been granted Treasury employees. Mr. Spinner brought this to the attention of Congress again in his report of that year,

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NICKELS WORTH
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buy it as an uncirculated coin either, would we? If it has been worn on the high spots, but still retains most of its mint lustre, what is it? Extremely fine, right?

Look at it this way. You buy an uncirculated coin from a dealer (it is recognized by most that the exchange between dealer and collector does not constitute circulation of a coin, unless of course you buy a circulated coin), after you receive the coin and hold it awhile, you find a friend who will trade with you, your uncirculated coin for a piece you have wanted for sometime. You agree, and the trade is made. Is the uncirculated coin still uncirculated? Is it "about uncirculated"? No sir, it is an extremely fine coin, showing no sign of wear (if properly handled by you) with mint lustre.

Once a coin passes from one collector to another it is no longer uncirculated, it is not "about uncirculated".

"What is it then, what about

its premium?" you ask. I call it, "an extremely fine coin, with full mint lustre, slightly circulated, showing no, or faint evidence of wear. A collector's piece." Premium, slightly under the uncirculated coin, traded and sold as an "EFCP coin."

The problem of properly grading coins has plagued us for a long, long time. B & D are to be applauded for their efforts to help in this area of collecting.

It's the in-between terms that are sometimes used that irk me, "about uncirculated", extremely fine plus", very fine plus", "fine plus". I get crosseyed looking for the plus some put on their coins when grading.

Who uses these terms? Just about everybody. Where is the limiting point between "extremely fine plus", and "about uncirculated"? Two plus two equals four, but "about uncirculated plus plus", does not equal uncirculated. Does it?

Let's see, two plus two is four, three plus three is six, "AU" plus plus what, equals what?

Incidentally, my friend and I

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MONEY FACTS
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saying also that no further robberies had taken place in his

never did agree. We did enjoy our "discussion", the coffee, and had a good trading session. We parted, still friends.

Two plus two equals, oh well, see you next. M.B.

department because of continued vigilance on the part of department employees.

Thus in a little over three months, the Treasury department lost \$17,839.82 to two well rehearsed thieves and a trusted employee. These facts are clearly told in the Report of the Treasurer to the 41st Congress, dated 1 November 1870.